

TABLE F.1: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (SIMPLE SCIENCES)

Some additional contrasting short-range predictions from the simple sciences for four models

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
3*	As astronomers discover more extrasolar planets and learn more about their parent stars, evidence for the rarity of solar system features that permit advanced life will increase, as will the need for intervention miracles to explain them.	As astronomers discover more extrasolar planets and learn more about parent stars of such planets, they will find increasing evidence that the solar system's characteristics that permit the existence of advanced life are relatively common.	As astronomers discover more extrasolar planets and learn more about parent stars of such planets, they will find increasing evidence both for the rarity of the solar system's characteristics that permit the existence of advanced life and for the extreme youthfulness of all stars and planets.	As astronomers discover more extrasolar planets and learn more about parent stars of such planets, they will find increasing evidence that the solar system's features that permit the existence of advanced life all can be explained by God's actions at the cosmic creation event.
4	Astronomers' measurements of the universe's age will become more accurate, more consistent, and more certainly fixed on about 14 billion years.	Astronomers' measurements of the universe's age will increasingly point to the possibility that the universe in some form may be much older than 14 billion years.	Astronomers' measurements of the universe's age either will become extremely discordant or will quickly drop down to values consistent with about 10,000 years.	Astronomers' measurements of the universe's age will become more accurate, more consistent, and more certainly fixed on about 14 billion years.
5	Evidence for ongoing star and planet formation and for star extinction will increase.	Evidence for ongoing star and planet formation and for star extinction will increase.	Evidence for ongoing star and planet formation and for star extinction will decrease and eventually prove false.	Evidence for ongoing star and planet formation and for star extinction will increase.
6	Evidences for an actual beginning of space and time will grow stronger and more numerous. These evidences will continue to place the beginning of space and time at about 14 billion years ago.	Evidences for an actual beginning of space and time will become weaker and less numerous.	New discoveries will prove that the beginning of space and time took place less than about 10,000 years ago.	Evidences for an actual beginning of space and time will grow stronger and more numerous. These evidences will continue to place the beginning of space and time at about 14 billion years ago.

*Predictive tests 1 and 2 appear in chapter 11 (see pages 185–187).

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7	Evidence for fine-tuning in the laws and constants of physics and in the gross cosmic features will become stronger and will not be limited to just those cosmic features that are fixed at the cosmic creation event.	Evidence for fine-tuning in the laws and constants of physics and in the gross features of the universe will become weaker.	Evidence for fine-tuning in the laws and constants of physics and in the gross features of the universe that are dependent on a universe billions of years old will become dramatically weaker.	Evidence for fine-tuning in the laws and constants of physics and in the gross features of the universe will become stronger, but will be limited to just those cosmic characteristics that are fixed at the cosmic creation event.
8	New, more precise cosmic expansion measures will confirm that the universe has been expanding for about 14 billion years and that the expansion rate is extraordinarily (supernaturally) fine-tuned.	New, more precise cosmic expansion measures will show either dramatically less fine-tuning or that the fine-tuning has a natural explanation.	New, more accurate measures of cosmic expansion will show that currently established values are about a million times too low.	New discoveries will confirm fine-tuning in the cosmic expansion rate and that the fine-tuning is limited to tuning cosmic characteristics at the beginning of time.
9	Astronomers and physicists will continue to accumulate evidence that the laws and constants of physics have remained extraordinarily fixed over the past 14 billion years — from the present back to the cosmic creation event.	Astronomers and physicists will discover that radically alternate physics operated when the universe was very young — physics that would eliminate both the need for a transcendent beginning of the universe and the evidence for supernatural design.	Astronomers will discover a major discontinuity in the laws and constants of physics corresponding to a time a few thousand years ago when Adam first sinned and/or when Noah's Flood occurred.	Astronomers and physicists will continue to accumulate evidence that the laws and constants of physics have remained extraordinarily fixed over the past 14 billion years — from the present back to the cosmic creation event.

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10	Both the number of characteristics of the Local Group of galaxies that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the Local Group.	Both the number of characteristics of the Local Group of galaxies that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the Local Group.	Fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the Local Group of galaxies that depend on cosmic or galaxy ages older than 10,000 years will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the Local Group.	Only the fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the Local Group of galaxies that do not require intervention miracles after the creation event will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the Local Group.
11	The proximity of galaxies to one another will prove to be proportional to their distance from Earth.	More distant galaxies will prove to be closer together but not necessarily in ways that would demand a single big bang creation event.	Distant galaxies will appear to be no more crowded together than nearby galaxies.	The proximity of galaxies to one another will prove to be proportional to their distance from Earth.
12	New discoveries will continue to increase the evidence that humans exist at the ideal moment in cosmic history to foster advanced civilization and to observe the cosmic creation event and measure cosmic design features.	New discoveries will show that there is nothing especially remarkable about the timing of humanity's arrival in cosmic history.	New discoveries will prove that humans arrived on Earth just 144 hours after the beginning of the universe and the beginning of space and time.	Humanity's existence at the ideal moment in cosmic history will prove to be entirely dependent on the initial conditions of the universe.

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13	Both the number of characteristics of the Milky Way Galaxy that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the Milky Way Galaxy.	Both the number of characteristics of the Milky Way Galaxy that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the Milky Way Galaxy.	Fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the Milky Way Galaxy that depend on ages older than 10,000 years will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the Milky Way Galaxy.	Only fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the Milky Way Galaxy's characteristics that do not require intervention miracles after the cosmic creation event will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the Milky Way Galaxy.
14	As astronomers learn more about the physical requirements for advanced life, they will find increasing evidence for the anthropic principle inequality.	As astronomers learn more about the physical requirements for advanced life, they will find decreasing evidence for the anthropic principle inequality.	As astronomers learn more about the physical requirements for advanced life, they will find decreasing evidence for the anthropic principle inequality.	No majority position yet developed.
15	Both the number of characteristics of the solar system that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the solar system.	Both the number of characteristics of the solar system that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the solar system.	Fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the solar system that depend on ages older than 10,000 years will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the solar system.	Only the fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the solar system that do not require intervention miracles after the cosmic creation event will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the solar system.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
16	Both the number of characteristics of Earth that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the Earth.	Both the number of characteristics of Earth that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the Earth.	Fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of Earth that depend on ages older than 10,000 years will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the Earth.	Only the fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of Earth that do not require intervention miracles after the cosmic creation event will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about Earth.
17	Both the number of characteristics of the moon-forming collision event that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the moon-forming event.	Both the number of characteristics of the moon-forming collision event that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the moon-forming event.	As astronomers learn more about the Earth-Moon system, evidence for the moon-forming collision event will progressively wane.	Only the fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the moon-forming collision event that do not require intervention miracles after the cosmic creation event will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the moon-forming event.
18	Both the number of characteristics of the Late Heavy Bombardment that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the bombardment.	Both the number of characteristics of the Late Heavy Bombardment that must be fine-tuned and the degree of fine-tuning in those features to make the existence of advanced life possible will progressively decrease as astronomers learn more about the bombardment.	As astronomers learn more about the solar system, evidence will progressively increase that the Late Heavy Bombardment occurred either during the flood of Noah and/or at the time of Adam's rebellion against God.	Only the fine-tuning evidence for the existence of advanced life in the characteristics of the Late Heavy Bombardment that do not require intervention miracles after the cosmic creation event will progressively increase as astronomers learn more about the bombardment.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
19	Future solar system discoveries will reveal the remains of life on all solar system bodies in proportion to how efficiently meteoritic impacts can transport such remains from Earth and to how well conditions on the respective body allow the preservation of such remains.	Future solar system discoveries will establish the existence of indigenous life (not just transported remains from Earth) on and in many solar system bodies besides Earth.	Future solar system discoveries will reveal that any remains of life found on solar system bodies besides Earth were transported there from Earth less than 10,000 years ago.	Some proponents adopt the RTB position, others the naturalism position.
20	Ongoing research increasingly will demonstrate that the habitable zones for life and intelligent life in particular (cosmic, galactic, and planetary system) are narrow.	Ongoing research increasingly will demonstrate that the habitable zones for life and intelligent life in particular (cosmic, galactic, and planetary system) are broad.	Ongoing research increasingly will demonstrate that the habitable zones for life and intelligent life in particular (cosmic, galactic, and planetary system) are narrow.	Ongoing research increasingly will demonstrate that the habitable zones for life and intelligent life in particular (cosmic, galactic, and planetary system) may be narrow or broad.
21	As astronomers discover more planets, they will find increasing evidence that analogs of the solar system and Earth similar enough to permit the existence of advanced life are either rare or nonexistent.	As astronomers discover more planets, they will find increasing evidence that analogs of the solar system and Earth similar enough to permit the existence of advanced life are common.	As astronomers discover more planets, they will find increasing evidence that analogs of the solar system and Earth similar enough to permit the existence of advanced life are either rare or nonexistent.	As astronomers discover more planets, they will find increasing evidence that analogs of the solar system and Earth similar enough to permit the existence of advanced life may or may not be rare.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
22	Evidence will become increasingly more compelling that no laws of physics exist that cause extreme local violations of the thermodynamic laws such that complexity and order spring from simplicity and disorder to such a degree that life spontaneously arises from nonlife.	Evidence will become increasingly more compelling that laws of physics do exist that cause extreme local violations of the thermodynamic laws such that complexity and order spring from simplicity and disorder to such a degree that life spontaneously arises from nonlife.	Evidence will become increasingly more compelling that no laws of physics exist that cause extreme local violations of the thermodynamic laws such that complexity and order spring from simplicity and disorder to such a degree that life spontaneously arises from nonlife.	Some proponents adopt the RTB position, others the naturalism position.

TABLE F.2: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (COMPLEX SCIENCES)

Some additional contrasting short-range predictions from the complex sciences that arise from four models

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
3*	As scientists learn more about the origin of the simplest possible independent life and the laws of physics, they will find increasing evidence against any natural law that spontaneously and instantly self-organizes nonorganic matter into viable organisms.	As scientists learn more about the origin of the simplest possible independent life and the laws of physics, they will find increasing evidence for a natural law that spontaneously and instantly self-organizes nonorganic matter into viable organisms.	As scientists learn more about the origin of the simplest possible independent life and the laws of physics, they will find increasing evidence against any natural law that spontaneously and instantly self-organizes nonorganic matter into viable organisms.	As scientists learn more about the origin of the simplest possible independent life and the laws of physics, they will find increasing evidence for a natural law that spontaneously and instantly self-organizes nonorganic matter into viable organisms.
4	Astrochemical research increasingly will establish the inadequacy of any possible natural source of prebiotics to provide all the chemical building blocks in the necessary concentrations and stabilities for a naturalistic origin of life.	Astrochemists soon will find abundant evidence for vast nearby interstellar reservoirs of concentrated complex stable prebiotics replete with all the prebiotic molecules (sugars, amino acids, nucleotides, lipids, etc.) that life demands.	Astrochemical research increasingly will establish the inadequacy of any possible natural source of prebiotics to provide all the chemical building blocks in the necessary concentrations and stabilities for a naturalistic origin of life.	Astrochemists soon will find abundant evidence for vast nearby interstellar reservoirs of concentrated complex stable prebiotics replete with all the prebiotic molecules (sugars, amino acids, nucleotides, lipids, etc.) that life demands.
5	Astrochemists increasingly will establish that there are no natural reservoirs of concentrated, perfectly homochiral (all oriented with the same handedness) amino acids and sugars.	Astrochemists soon will find abundant evidence for vast nearby interstellar reservoirs of concentrated, perfectly homochiral amino acids and sugars.	Astrochemists increasingly will establish that there are no natural reservoirs of concentrated, perfectly homochiral amino acids and sugars.	Astrochemists soon will find abundant evidence for vast nearby interstellar reservoirs of concentrated, perfectly homochiral amino acids and sugars.

*Predictive tests 1 and 2 appear in chapter 11 (see pages 187–189).

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
6	Geneticists increasingly will establish that the simplest possible independent life-forms are nearly as complex as the simplest independent life on Earth today.	Geneticists soon will find abundant evidence that the simplest possible independent life-forms are orders of magnitude simpler than the simplest independent life on Earth today.	Geneticists increasingly will establish that the simplest possible independent life-forms are nearly as complex as the simplest independent life on Earth today.	No majority position yet established.
7	Scientists increasingly will establish that the origin of life took place within a very narrow window of time billions of years ago.	Scientists soon will find abundant evidence that the time window in which life's origin occurred is orders of magnitude longer than what current data show.	Scientists increasingly will establish that the origin of life took place instantaneously less than 10,000 years ago.	No majority position yet established.
8	When scientists recover from the moon some fossils of Earth's first life (circa 3.8 billion years old), they will find that these fossilized remains are as complex or nearly so and diverse as the earliest fossils of life found on Earth (circa 3.5 billion years old).	When scientists recover from the moon some fossils of Earth's first life (circa 3.8 billion years old), they will find that Earth's first life is reduced to a single species that is far simpler than the simplest known life-forms represented in the terrestrial fossil record.	When scientists recover from the moon the fossils of Earth's first life, they will find strong evidence that such life proves no older than 10,000 years.	No majority position yet established.
9	Research on the components of the Drake Equation increasingly will demonstrate that the probability for the existence of extraterrestrial intelligent life is indistinguishable from zero.	Research on the components of the Drake Equation increasingly will demonstrate that the probability for the existence of extraterrestrial intelligent life is high.	Research on the components of the Drake Equation increasingly will demonstrate that the probability for the existence of extraterrestrial intelligent life is indistinguishable from zero.	Research on the components of the Drake Equation may or may not demonstrate that the probability for the existence of extraterrestrial intelligent life is indistinguishable from zero.
10	Future searches for extraterrestrial intelligent life will continue to produce null results.	Future searches for extraterrestrial intelligent life will eventually produce positive results.	Future searches for extraterrestrial intelligent life will continue to produce null results.	Future searches for extraterrestrial intelligent life may or may not produce positive results.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
11	Chemists will find increasing evidence for chemical barriers blocking naturalistic pathways to the assembly of nucleobases and sugars into all the life-critical DNA and RNA molecules within realistic time scales.	Chemists soon will find easy naturalistic chemical pathways to the assembly of nucleobases and sugars into all the life-critical DNA and RNA molecules within realistic time scales.	Chemists will find increasing evidence for chemical barriers blocking naturalistic pathways to the assembly of nucleobases and sugars into all the life-critical DNA and RNA molecules within realistic time scales.	Chemists soon will find difficult but not unrealistic naturalistic chemical pathways to the assembly of nucleobases and sugars into all the life-critical DNA and RNA molecules within realistic time scales.
12	Chemists will find increasing evidence for chemical barriers blocking naturalistic pathways to the assembly of amino acids into all the life-critical proteins within realistic time scales.	Chemists soon will find easy naturalistic chemical pathways to the assembly of amino acids into all the life-critical proteins within realistic time scales.	Chemists will find increasing evidence for chemical barriers blocking naturalistic pathways to the assembly of amino acids into all the life-critical proteins within realistic time scales.	Chemists soon will find difficult but not unrealistic naturalistic chemical pathways to the assembly of amino acids into all the life-critical proteins within realistic time scales.
13	Chemists will find increasing evidence for chemical barriers blocking naturalistic pathways to the assembly of lipids and amino acids into life-functional membranes within realistic time scales.	Chemists soon will find easy naturalistic chemical pathways to the assembly of lipids and amino acids into life-functional membranes within realistic time scales.	Chemists will find increasing evidence for chemical barriers blocking naturalistic pathways to the assembly of lipids and amino acids into life-functional membranes within realistic time scales.	Chemists soon will find difficult but not unrealistic naturalistic chemical pathways to the assembly of lipids and amino acids into life-functional membranes within realistic time scales.
14	Biochemists will find increasing evidence for a very complex level of efficient organizational design in the interrelationships and functions of molecules within cells.	Biochemists soon will find that the organizational design of molecules within cells is not nearly as complex or efficient as now understood.	Biochemists will find increasing evidence for a very complex level of efficient organizational design in the interrelationships and functions of molecules within cells.	Biochemists will find that the organization of molecules within cells, though difficult to achieve by naturalistic means, is, nonetheless, realistic without invoking interventionist miracles.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
15	Chemists will find increasing evidence for elegant, efficient, and optimal designs of molecules within cells. These designs will continue to prove to match or exceed the quality of man-made machines.	Chemists will find increasing evidence that the designs of molecules within cells are not so elegant, efficient, and optimal as they seem at present and that naturalistic explanations will be found for all the designs.	Chemists will find increasing evidence for elegant, efficient, and optimal designs of molecules within cells. These designs will continue to prove to match or exceed the quality of man-made machines.	Chemists will find that though the design of molecules within cells is difficult to achieve by naturalistic means, realistic pathways for such designs will be found without the need for invoking interventionist miracles.
16	The goal of making a simple life-form in the lab from nonorganic compounds will prove increasingly extreme in its technological demands, expense, and design intricacy.	Soon life will be made in the lab from nonorganic compounds. This success will show that realistic naturalistic pathways for life's origin's must exist.	The goal of making a simple life-form in the lab from nonorganic compounds will prove increasingly extreme in its technological demands, expense, and design intricacy.	The quest to make life in the lab from nonorganic compounds will show that though difficult, realistic means for such assembly in nature could occur without interventionist miracles.
17	Research increasingly will reveal that Earth's first life was diverse, widespread, and abundant. Its complexity will resemble that of the simplest life-forms on Earth today.	Research increasingly will show that Earth's first life was a single life-form existing in just one location. This life-form increasingly will prove far simpler than the simplest life-forms on Earth today.	Research increasingly will show that Earth's first life existed no more than 10,000 years ago. Earth's first life will prove to be as complex and diverse as present-day life but without the existence of carnivores and parasites.	No majority position yet developed.
18	Research increasingly will show that the speciation events and abundance levels of life over the past 3.8 billion years have been designed to maximize the quantity, quality, and diversity of biodeposits for the support of human civilization.	Research increasingly will show that there is nothing extraordinary, special, or designed about Earth's biodeposits in the context of providing support for human civilization.	Research increasingly will show that virtually all of Earth's biodeposits were laid down during Noah's Flood.	Research increasingly will demonstrate that no interventionist miracles are necessary to explain any of Earth's biodeposits.

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19	Research increasingly will show that life has been abundant and widespread on Earth throughout the past 3.8 billion years except for very brief intervals after mass extinction events.	Research increasingly will show that life gradually and slowly became more abundant and widespread after life's origin and after each mass extinction event.	Research increasingly will show that life has been present on Earth for no more than 10,000 years and that only one mass extinction event has occurred, Noah's Flood.	Research increasingly will show that life has been abundant and widespread on Earth throughout the past 3.8 billion years.
20	Research increasingly will show that specific species were removed and introduced at specified epochs throughout the past 3.8 billion years to perfectly compensate for changes in the sun's luminosity.	Research increasingly will show that no specification of either the removal or introduction of species or the timing of such events is necessary to compensate for changes in the sun's luminosity.	Research increasingly will show that no compensation for changes in the sun's luminosity is needed through specified extinction and speciation events because evidence will grow that the sun, Earth, and life has existed for less than 10,000 years.	No majority position yet developed.
21	Research increasingly will show that the quantity and diversity of sulfate-reducing bacteria have been carefully regulated to provide vital-poison metals of the just-right levels and types at the just-right times for advanced life.	Research increasingly will show that no special regulation or design of sulfate-reducing bacteria is necessary to provide advanced life with the levels and types of vital-poison metals it needs.	Research increasingly will show that sulfate-reducing bacteria play no significant role in providing advanced life with the vital-poison metals it needs.	Research increasingly will show that no intervention miracles are needed to explain how sulfate-reducing bacteria provide advanced life with the vital-poison metals it needs.
22	Research increasingly will show that bacteria indeed provided humanity with optimally rich, extensive ore deposits and that the speciation and growth of such bacteria must be specified.	Research increasingly will show that there is nothing extraordinary or special about the ore deposits generated by bacteria.	Research increasingly will show that bacteria played virtually no role in providing humanity with ore deposits.	Research increasingly will show that no intervention miracles are necessary to explain how bacteria provided humanity with ore deposits.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
23	Research increasingly will show that the symbiosis, organization, extent, and timing of cryptogamic colonies must be highly specified to prepare landmasses within a specific time period for advanced life.	Research increasingly will show that no specification of the symbiosis, organization, extent, and timing of cryptogamic colonies is needed to explain how these colonies prepared the landmasses for advanced life.	Research increasingly will show that cryptogamic colonies played no significant role in preparing the continental landmasses for advanced life.	Research increasingly will show that no intervention miracles are necessary to explain how cryptogamic colonies prepared the continental landmasses for advanced life.
24	Research increasingly will show that specific species were removed and introduced at just-right times to alter the kind and extent of land erosion so as to compensate for changes in the sun's luminosity.	Research increasingly will show that no specification is needed in the removal, introduction, or timing of species to explain how land erosion compensates for changes in the sun's luminosity.	Research increasingly will show that no regulation of land erosion is necessary because other studies will prove that the sun, Earth, and life have not existed for more than about 10,000 years.	Research increasingly will show that no intervention miracles are necessary to explain how various species at various times regulated land erosion so as to compensate for changes in the sun's luminosity.
25	Research increasingly will show that the kind, extent, and duration of photosynthetic life must be highly specified to form, at the just-right time, the optimal amount of free oxygen for advanced life.	Research increasingly will show that no specification is needed either in the kind, extent, or duration of photosynthetic life to form the amount of free oxygen optimal for advanced life.	Research increasingly will show that very little of the free oxygen that supports advanced life came from photosynthetic life.	Research increasingly will reveal that no intervention miracles are needed to explain how the free oxygen supporting advanced life arose from photosynthetic life.
26	Research increasingly will show that natural "disasters" have struck Earth in a manner that is highly fine-tuned to remove the just-right species at the just-right times to compensate for changes in the solar system and prepare Earth for humanity.	New research will establish that there is no significant fine-tuning in the manner in which natural disasters removed certain species at certain times from the terrestrial scene and that such removals play no special role in preparing Earth for humanity.	Research will increasingly establish that only one natural disaster, Noah's Flood, played any significant role in removing species from the terrestrial scene.	New research will show that no miraculous interventions are needed to explain how natural disasters removed the just-right species at the just-right times to compensate for changes in the solar system and prepare Earth for humanity.

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27	Research increasingly will establish that the Cambrian explosion is truly explosive in bringing many phyla suddenly and simultaneously on the terrestrial scene with intact optimal ecological relationships.	Research increasingly will show that the Cambrian explosion (CE) is not at all explosive. Rather, the CE phyla will prove to have gradually and sequentially evolved over a long period of time.	New research will reveal that all of the Cambrian explosion phyla appeared less than 10,000 years ago.	New research will show that no miraculous interventions are necessary to explain the Cambrian explosion, the sudden appearance of most of Earth's animal phyla.
28	Research increasingly will confirm that Earth's biological history and geological processes were optimally designed to provide humanity with the richest possible fossil fuel deposits.	New research will show that no extraordinary fine-tuning is necessary to explain the abundant and rich fossil fuel deposits currently available for humanity.	New research will establish that virtually all of Earth's fossil fuel deposits were laid down during Noah's Flood.	New research will show that no miraculous interventions are necessary to explain the abundant and rich fossil fuel deposits available to humanity.
29	Research will increasingly confirm that explosive mass speciation events have occurred, events in which thousands of new species suddenly appeared on the terrestrial scene without any apparent connection to previously existing species.	New research will show that all mass speciation events have realistic naturalistic explanations. Accordingly, speciation events will prove to be other than mass, sudden, coincident, and widespread.	New research will show that all speciation events occurred within the last 10,000 years. Further, research will prove that the most dramatic mass speciation events occurred right after Adam's rebellion against God and right after Noah's Flood.	New research will demonstrate that no intervention miracles are needed to explain any of the mass speciation events.
30	Research increasingly will confirm that the time interval between some mass extinction events and subsequent mass speciation events is far too brief for any possible naturalistic cause.	Research increasingly will show that the time gaps between all mass extinction events and subsequent mass speciation events are wide enough to permit a reasonable natural cause.	New research will establish that all the mass speciation and extinction events occurred within the last 10,000 years.	New research will show that no intervention miracles are necessary to explain any of the mass speciation or mass extinction events.

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31	Research increasingly will show that large-bodied species with small populations and long generation times manifest extinction times far briefer than any epoch during which they could naturally evolve into a distinctly different species.	Research increasingly will show that large-bodied species with small populations and long generation times manifest extinction times longer than the epoch during which they could naturally evolve into a distinctly different species.	New research will prove that the extinction times of all species are irrelevant to creation/evolution issues because such research will establish that Earth is less than 10,000 years old.	New research will establish that no intervention miracles are needed to explain how any of the large-bodied, small-population, long-generation-time species evolved into distinctly different species before they went extinct.
32	Research increasingly will confirm that deleterious mutations, natural disasters, and changes in the terrestrial and solar system environments imply brief extinction times for large-bodied, small-population, long-generation-time species.	Research increasingly will confirm that deleterious mutations, natural disasters, and changes in Earth's and the solar system's environments do not imply brief extinction times for large-bodied, small-population, long-generation-time species.	New research will show that extinction times for large-bodied, small-population, short-generation-time species are irrelevant to creation/evolution issues because such research will prove that Earth is less than 10,000 years old.	No majority position yet established.
33	Research increasingly will show that significant animal speciation, though prolific before the advent of humanity, ceased with the arrival of humanity.	Research will establish that significant animal speciation did not cease or significantly change with the advent of humanity.	Research will prove that no speciation occurred prior to 144 hours before humanity's advent and that mass speciation events took place after Adam's rebellion and after Noah's Flood.	New research will show that no intervention miracles are necessary to explain any of the animal speciation events.

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	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
34	Research increasingly will provide examples of repeated optimized designs in species that are distantly or not related from an evolutionary perspective.	Research increasingly will show that examples of repeated designs in species distantly or not related from an evolutionary perspective are either nonexistent or very rare.	Research increasingly will provide examples, though not as many as in the RTB model, of repeated optimized designs in species that are distantly or not related from an evolutionary perspective.	New research will show that no intervention miracles are necessary to explain any of the examples of repeated designs in species that are distantly or not related from an evolutionary perspective.
35	Research increasingly will show that apparent “transitional forms” appear more frequently and rapidly in the fossil record for large-bodied, small-population, long-generation-time species than for small-bodied, large-population, short-generation-time species.	Research increasingly will show that apparent transitional forms appear more frequently and rapidly in the fossil record for small-bodied, large-population, short-generation-time species than for large-bodied, small-population, long-generation-time species.	Research increasingly will show that the only occasions for transitional forms of any type will be brief episodes after Adam’s rebellion and after Noah’s Flood.	No majority position yet developed.
36	Research increasingly will establish that the probability of humans arising from bacteria even granted optimistic evolutionary assumptions is for all practical purposes zero.	Research increasingly will establish realistic probabilities of humans arising from bacteria through strictly naturalistic means.	Research increasingly will establish that the probability of humans arising from bacteria even granted optimistic evolutionary assumptions is for all practical purposes zero.	Some proponents adopt the RTB position, others the naturalism position.
37	Continuing DNA analysis increasingly will establish that humans could not have naturally descended from previously existing hominids or primates.	Continuing DNA analysis increasingly will establish that humans did naturally descend from previously existing hominids or primates.	Continuing DNA analysis increasingly will establish that Neanderthals, archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , and <i>Homo erectus</i> are fully human.	No majority position yet developed.

TABLE F.2: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (COMPLEX SCIENCES, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
38	Research increasingly will establish that the entire human race is descended from one man and one woman living in one location not far from the juncture of Africa, Asia, and Europe a few or several tens of thousands of years ago.	Research increasingly will contradict the theory that the entire human race is descended from one man and one woman living in one location not far from the juncture of Africa, Asia, and Europe a few or several tens of thousands of years ago.	Research increasingly will establish that the entire human race is descended from one man and one woman living in one location not far from the juncture of Africa, Asia, and Europe less than 10,000 years ago.	Most theistic evolutionists would concur with the naturalism prediction. Some would agree with the RTB model prediction.
39	Research increasingly will show that humans, and only humans, among all species, past or present, possess a spiritual nature and manifest spiritual capabilities.	Research increasingly will show that many of humanity's spiritual capabilities are shared with other species and all of them can be explained as properties gained through strictly natural descent from earlier species.	Research increasingly will show that humans, and only humans, among all species, past or present, manifest spiritual capabilities and that these capabilities have existed only during the last 10,000 years or less.	No majority position yet established.
40	Research increasingly will show that humans, and only humans, among all species, past or present, possess all the brain structures needed to service spiritual activity.	Research increasingly will show that the human brain is not especially unique in its capacity to service spiritual activity and that any unique features will prove to be minor and explainable by strictly natural evolution.	Research increasingly will show that only humans, Neanderthals, archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , and <i>Homo erectus</i> possess all the brain structures needed to service spiritual activity.	No majority position yet established.

TABLE F.2: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (COMPLEX SCIENCES, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
41	Research increasingly will establish that no significant change has occurred in either human or Neanderthal DNA over the historical and geographical ranges for both species.	Research increasingly will reveal that significant changes have occurred in both human and Neanderthal DNA over the historical and geographical ranges for both species.	Young-earth creationists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.
42	When DNA is recovered and analyzed from <i>Homo sapiens idaltu</i> and other archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , it will prove to be so distinct from human DNA as to rule out these species as natural human ancestors.	When DNA is recovered and analyzed from <i>Homo sapiens idaltu</i> and other archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , it will prove similar enough to human DNA to establish these species as natural human ancestors.	When DNA is recovered and analyzed from <i>Homo sapiens idaltu</i> and other archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , it will prove so similar to human DNA as to establish that these species were fully human.	Most theistic evolutionists would concur with the naturalism prediction. Some would agree with the RTB model prediction.
43	When DNA is recovered and analyzed from <i>Homo sapiens idaltu</i> and other archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , it will show that these species did not experience significant natural evolution.	When DNA is recovered and analyzed from <i>Homo sapiens idaltu</i> and other archaic <i>Homo sapiens</i> , it will show that these species did experience significant natural evolution.	Young-earth creationists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.
44	Research increasingly will show that no significant changes have occurred in the morphology of humans or of any of the hominid species preceding humanity over their historical and geographical ranges.	Research increasingly will show that significant changes have occurred in the morphology of humans and of the hominid species preceding humanity over their historical and geographical ranges.	Young-earth creationists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.

TABLE F.2: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (COMPLEX SCIENCES, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
45	Research increasingly will show that chimpanzee and human DNA are sufficiently dissimilar to rule out a common recent ancestor through natural descent.	Research increasingly will show that chimpanzee and human DNA are sufficiently similar to establish a common recent ancestor through natural descent.	Research increasingly will show that chimpanzee and human DNA are sufficiently dissimilar to rule out a common recent ancestor through natural descent.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.
46	Research increasingly will show that several dramatic cultural revolutions coincide with the advent of humanity.	Research increasingly will discredit the theory that several dramatic cultural revolutions coincide with the advent of humanity.	Research increasingly will show that several dramatic cultural revolutions coincide with the advent of humanity and that this advent occurred less than 10,000 years ago.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.
47	Research increasingly will show that humans were endowed at their advent with capabilities for high-tech global civilization that were costly to their initial survival.	Research increasingly will show that all of humanity's initial endowments were vital for their early survival.	Research increasingly will show that humans were endowed at their advent with capabilities for high-tech global civilization that were costly to their initial survival.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue somewhere between that of naturalism and the RTB model.
48	Research increasingly will establish a very narrow window of time within cosmic history during which an intelligent physical species could exist.	Research increasingly will show a large fraction of time within cosmic history during which an intelligent physical species could exist.	Research increasingly will show that the window of time during which an intelligent physical species could exist is virtually identical to the entire (young) age of the universe.	No majority position yet established.

TABLE F.2: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (COMPLEX SCIENCES, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
49	Research increasingly will establish an extremely narrow window of time within cosmic history during which an intelligent physical species manifesting high technology could exist.	Research increasingly will show a rather broad window of time within cosmic history during which an intelligent physical species manifesting high technology could exist.	Research increasingly will show that the time window during which an intelligent physical species manifesting high-tech civilization could exist is virtually identical to the entire age of the universe.	No majority position yet established.
50	Research increasingly will show that apparently bad or useless designs in nature's complex creatures, once fully understood, are really elegant, efficient, and optimal designs.	Research increasingly will show that bad designs in nature's complex creatures are ubiquitous and that the later a creature appears and the more complex it is the higher its probability to possess bad designs.	Research increasingly will show that apparently bad designs in nature's complex creatures, once fully understood, are either good designs or the results of Adam's rebellion against God.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue significantly closer to the RTB model than to the naturalism model.
51	Research increasingly will confirm that natural "disasters" are optimally designed to protect and provide for life's needs and for humanity's in particular.	Research increasingly will demonstrate that natural disasters need not be fine-tuned or designed to protect and provide for life's requirements and for humanity's in particular.	Research increasingly will reveal that natural disasters did not happen until after Adam's rebellion; that is, natural disasters are part of the curse God pronounced upon the earth and life.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position on this issue significantly closer to the RTB model than to the naturalism model.
52	Research increasingly will confirm that very little of the genomes contains useless or junk DNA, that is, DNA that serves no purpose for the organism.	Research increasingly will show that genomes are filled with DNA portions that serve no purpose and that the more advanced the species and later it appears the more junk its genome contains.	Research increasingly will confirm that very little of the genomes contains useless or junk DNA, that is, DNA that serves no purpose for the organism.	Theistic evolutionists hold to a position somewhere between the naturalism model and the RTB model.

TABLE F.3: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (THEOLOGY/PHILOSOPHY)

Some contrasting short-range predictions from theology and philosophy for four models

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
1	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all 22 of the Bible's major creation accounts and other creation verses, they will discover increasing biblical consistency in the old-earth creationist view and increasing discordance in the young-earth view and in the time scales for the emergence of creation events demanded by theistic evolution.	The Bible's 22 major creation accounts and remaining creation verses will, with advancing theological research, prove to be contradictory, at least with respect to the record of nature.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all 22 of the Bible's major creation accounts and other creation verses, they will discover increasing biblical consistency for the young-earth view and increasing discordance for the old-earth positions.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all 22 of the Bible's major creation accounts and other creation verses, they will discover increasing biblical consistency for the old-earth view and for gradual transitions between creation events rather than their abrupt occurrences.
2	A careful study of creation verbs and nouns in the Bible will show that many of the creation events beyond the cosmic beginning are abrupt interventionist miracles.	A study of the Bible's creation verbs and nouns either will show none of the "creation events" to be miraculous or that the Bible's creation content and order contradicts the established record of nature.	A careful study of creation verbs and nouns in the Bible will show that all of the creation events beyond the cosmic beginning are abrupt interventionist miracles.	A careful study of creation verbs and nouns in the Bible will show that none of the creation events beyond the cosmic beginning is an abrupt interventionist miracle.
3	Biblical inerrancy will become more defensible for an old-earth position, with many abrupt interventionist creation miracles beyond the cosmic creation event, than it will for any other creation/evolution view.	Biblical inerrancy will prove increasingly impossible to defend for the biblical passages pertaining to creation.	Biblical inerrancy will become more internally and externally defensible with the young-earth view than with any of the old-earth positions.	Biblical inerrancy will become more defensible for an old-earth position without abrupt interventionist creation miracles besides the cosmic creation event than it will be for any other creation/evolution view.

TABLE F.3: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (THEOLOGY/PHILOSOPHY, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
4	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing evidence that Adam and Eve's creation date falls between 10,000 and 100,000 years ago.	As honest theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing evidence that its content on human origins lacks credibility.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing evidence that Adam and Eve's creation date falls between 6,000 and 10,000 years ago.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing evidence that Adam and Eve's creation date exceeds a half million years ago.
5	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing biblical evidence for a one-Adam, one-Eve model.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they may find increasing biblical confusion about the identities and timing of Adam and Eve.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing biblical evidence for a one-Adam, one-Eve model.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate the Bible's creation content, they will find increasing biblical evidence for a two- or three-Adam and a two- or three-Eve model.
6	As theologians more thoroughly integrate the Bible's creation content, they will find increasing biblical evidence that a local flood wiped out all humans and their birds and mammals except for those on Noah's ark.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing chaos and discordance about what the accounts and verses say about Noah's Flood relative to the scientific evidence.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing biblical evidence for a global flood that wiped out all land-dwelling life except for the life on Noah's ark.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will find increasing evidence for figurative and/or metaphorical interpretations of Noah's Flood.

TABLE F.3: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (THEOLOGY/PHILOSOPHY, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
7	The apparently universal human drive to pursue ultimate purpose and destiny will indeed prove to be real and unique to the human species without any evidence of having evolved over the human era.	The apparently universal human drive to pursue ultimate purpose and destiny will prove either a myth or simply a means to enhance physical survival.	The apparently universal human drive to pursue ultimate purpose and destiny will indeed prove to be real, ubiquitous, and unique to the human species without any evidence of having evolved over the human era.	The apparently universal human drive to pursue ultimate purpose and destiny will prove real and probably will prove to have evolved through the hominids to modern humans.
8	As philosophers continue to research humanity's nature, they will discover increasing logical evidence that humans possess many features that could not possibly be derived or inherited from other animals.	As philosophers continue to research the nature of humanity, they will discover increasing logical evidence that humans possess only features that could possibly be naturally derived or inherited from other animals.	As philosophers continue to research the nature of humanity, they will discover increasing philosophical evidence that humans possess many features that could not possibly be derived or inherited from other animals.	As philosophers continue to research humanity's nature, they will find increasing philosophical evidence that humans possess few, if any, features that could not be derived or inherited from other animals.
9	As philosophers continue to research the nature of birds and mammals, they will find increasing philosophical evidence that they possess many features that could not possibly be derived or inherited from lower animals.	As philosophers continue to research the nature of birds and mammals, they will discover increasing philosophical evidence that they possess no features that could not possibly be derived or inherited from lower animals.	As philosophers continue to research the nature of birds and mammals, they will find increasing philosophical evidence that they possess many features that could not possibly be derived or inherited from lower animals.	As philosophers research the nature of birds and mammals, they will find increasing philosophical evidence they possess no features that could not be derived or inherited from lower animals.
10	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing biblical indications of God's plan to place redeemed humans in a new creation that is radically distinct from Eden.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the creation accounts and verses in the Bible, they will discover that the Christian doctrines of both paradise and a new creation are completely untenable.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing biblical evidence that God will place redeemed humans in a restored Eden-like paradise on the present Earth.	No majority opinion position yet developed.

TABLE F.3: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (THEOLOGY/PHILOSOPHY, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
11	Research will cause philosophical arguments for the existence of the God of the Bible to become progressively stronger.	Research will progressively overthrow all the philosophical arguments for the existence of the God of the Bible.	Research will cause philosophical arguments for the existence of the God of the Bible to become progressively stronger.	Research will cause most, but not all, of the philosophical arguments for the existence of the God of the Bible to become progressively stronger.
12	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing biblical evidence for a literal and consistent interpretation of the Bible's creation content.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing difficulties and contradictions for any literal interpretation of the Bible's creation content relative to the scientific record of nature.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing biblical evidence for a literal interpretation of the Bible's creation content assuming that the poetic creation texts deal only with the present creation.	As theologians more thoroughly integrate all the Bible's creation accounts and verses, they will find increasing biblical evidence for metaphorical and figurative interpretations of the Bible's creation content.
13	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will find more redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human culture, history, and experience.	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will prove that more and more redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human culture, history, and experience are inaccurate.	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will produce more redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human culture, history, and experience.	Ongoing philosophical and theological research may or may not produce more redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human nature and culture.
14	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will show that redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human culture, history, and experience more closely resemble the biblical message of redemption than previously thought.	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will show that "redemptive analogies" in the Bible and in human culture, history, and experience prove a poorer fit with the biblical message of redemption than previously thought.	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will show that redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human culture, history, and experience more closely resemble the biblical message of redemption than previously thought.	Ongoing philosophical and theological research will show redemptive analogies in the Bible and in human culture and experience may or may not fit more closely to the biblical message of redemption than previously thought.

TABLE F.3: PREDICTIVE TESTS FOR CREATION/EVOLUTION MODELS (THEOLOGY/PHILOSOPHY, CONTINUED)

	RTB MODEL	NATURALISM	YOUNG-EARTH	THEISTIC EVOLUTION
15	Future research on the Bible's creation texts increasingly will show that the Bible correctly predicted the continuous expansion and many other characteristics of the universe.	Future research on the Bible's creation texts increasingly will show that the Bible failed to predict the continuous expansion or any other characteristics of the universe.	Future research on the Bible's creation texts increasingly will show that the Bible correctly predicted some of the expansion characteristics of the universe.	No majority opinion position yet developed.